

MEMORANDUM FOR: SECRETARY, JOINT INTELLIGENCE GROUP
JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Estimate of Psychological Factors

REFERENCE: Memorandum for the DCI from the JIG,
JIGM-19-51, dated 7 March 1951, subject
as above

1. The Central Intelligence Agency relinquished to the Department of State responsibility for the production of political, sociological and cultural intelligence, which is considered to embrace many of the factors involved in psychological intelligence. Therefore, the request contained in JIGM-19-51 has been forwarded to the Department of State. It is understood that a reply from the Department of State will reach you shortly and that they have now completed the first intelligence study in response to your original request.

2. In view of the fact that progress has been so slow and that there has not been more substantial production with respect to PI-888, and further because it now appears that this request may have been unrealistically broad, we suggest that JIG re-examine PI-888 in consultation with the State Department and submit directly to them any more specific targets for production purposes.

3. Because of the over-all coordinating responsibility placed on the Central Intelligence Agency by the statute and National Security Council directives, this Agency continues to have an interest in the proper functioning of the machinery and arrangements in the field of psychological intelligence and is ready to assist in working out any problems that may arise.

4. A copy of this memorandum has been sent to the Special Assistant, Intelligence, Department of State.

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